

# Who were the Celts?



The Celts lived in Britain before the Romans arrived. Celts lived in tribes. Each tribe had its own king or sometimes a queen. Celts not only lived in Britain but also in countries like France, Switzerland and Belgium.



### Where did the Celts live?

The Celts lived in round huts which were made from mud, clay, straw and tree branches. There were no windows. They had fences around their huts and farms. They lived in small villages.

## What did the Celts wear?

Celts wore clothes with lots of bright colours. They often had checks and stripes on their clothes. They were made from wool which would be woven into fabric on a loom. They wore leather shoes.

### What did Celts do?

Most Celts were very good farmers. They used iron tools to work the land. They grew crops like wheat, barley, cabbages and beans.

They kept animals like cows, sheep and goats to use for milk, meat, leather and wool. Some Celts were blacksmiths, spinners or boat builders. Blacksmiths made tools, horseshoes, weapons, helmets and shields.

#### What were the Celts like?

Celts loved feasting, singing and story-telling. They were very proud and loyal to their tribe. They liked to be clean and look nice. Important people wore jewellery. They worshipped many gods and had Druids (or priests) as the tribal wise men.